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This is the first **Resource Update** of the new fiscal year, containing information on training, resources, and announcements. As always, this email is distributed to family resource programs currently and previously funded by WCPCAN, as well as members of the Council and Committees. It is also accessible on our Web site. This month we have new priority topic areas – so be sure to check them out.

Please be aware that the ideas and opinions expressed in the articles are those of the authors and may not represent the views of the members and staff of the Washington Council for Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect.

Current and archived versions are also available at:

<http://www.wcpcan.wa.gov/WhatsNew.html#ResourceUpdate>

If you ever have trouble opening the *Resource Update* or embedded items, please contact me and I will send them to you in an alternative format.

Feel free to forward this to your program participants, staff, volunteers, board members and partners who may be interested! ***I also encourage you to share any information you would like with all the WCPCAN-funded programs and Council/committee members through the Update.*** Please submit items or feedback to me,

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Note: Not every priority topic area will be covered in every update, but they will all be covered over the course of the year. Priority topics included in this update are as follows:

Collaboration & Community Building

Family Leadership

Fatherhood

Neglect

Parent Education

Special Populations

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News from WCPCAN

Fatherhood Focus

WCPCAN is excited to be expanding our support to fatherhood programs across the state. A recent mini-grant process, in collaboration with Children's Hospital and Medical Center, provided grants to two organizations to integrate Shaken Baby Syndrome Prevention Training into their fatherhood education. The grantees, Conscious Fathering and Island County Health Department will be working on this project until the end of 2002.



Priority Topic Areas for the Upcoming Year

WCPCAN Priority Topic Areas, selected by our funded programs at orientation, will serve as focal points for the Resource Update as well as training and conference development:

Collaboration and Community Building
Family Leadership
Fatherhood
Parent Education

The Council focus areas will also remain through this final year of the biennium.

Neglect

Special Populations and

Sustainability

Children's Day ~ October 13th, 2002

WCPCAN is pleased to announce the recipients of our Children's Day mini-grants. Each spring WCPCAN makes a limited number of "mini-grants" available to communities across the state which are interested in planning and implementing a Children's Day celebration. Each community is required to convene a Children's Day steering committee to include representatives from schools, churches, local businesses, libraries, and family support organizations to oversee the celebration. The committee is also responsible for publicizing its events to raise awareness of Children's Day and its purpose. Mini-grant recipients are encouraged to make Children's Day an annual community celebration. This year's focus was to increase funding for programs serving diverse communities. Mission accomplished!

Grantees:

Conscious Fathering, Seattle

Devoted Dads, Tacoma

Harrison Hospital, Silverdale

Healing Hearts Art, Spokane

Arc of King County, King County

Children's Village, Yakima

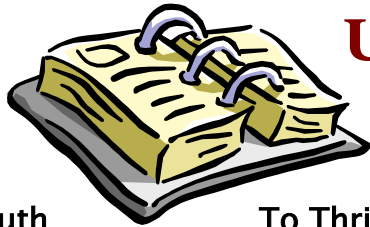
Nooksack Indian Tribe, Nooksack

Cities of Walla Walla, Waitsburg, and Township Burbank and Prescott

Shoreline Center for Human Services, Shoreline

Hoh Indian Tribe, Forks

Program and Partner News and Information



Upcoming Training/Conferences

National Prevention Symposium – Empowering

Our Youth

To Thrive in Uncertain Times ~ Seattle ~ July 31 –

August 2.

Comprehensive Health Education Foundation Announces the 7th Annual National Prevention Symposium at the Madison Renaissance Hotel. <http://www.chef.org/>

10th Biennial NCAST Institute – Seattle - August 1 – 3

NCAST's 10th Biennial Institute is an opportunity to study in depth how to promote maternal mental health during pregnancy. Speakers and presenters will include Kathryn Barnard, RN, PhD; and JoAnne Solchany, RN, PhD., author of Promoting Maternal Mental Health During Pregnancy, as well as other experts in the field of early intervention. The fee for this three-day workshop, \$395 includes the cost of the Promoting Maternal Mental Health product. A reduced rate is available for those who have already purchased the product.

[More information about the Institute or to register.](#)

"Working Together to Strengthen Families" sponsored by the Administration on Children and Families, Seattle Regional Office ~ **August 12-14 ~ Seattle**

The conference will present and explore the issues and promising practices in responsible fatherhood, healthy marriage and positive youth development. It will be an extraordinary opportunity to learn from the regional, tribal and national experts. You will find additional information on the conference website at:

<http://www.acf.dhhs.gov/programs/region10/lead/spannoun.html>

Fourth National Conference on Shaken Baby Syndrome

September 12 – 15 ~ Salt Lake City

Go see Washington's very own workshop by Cheryl Reed of WCPCAN and Carol Jenkins of Children's Hospital and Regional Medical Center!

<http://www.dontshake.com/>

Maltreatment and Adolescent Pregnancy and Parenting Program (MAPPP) ~ September 19th 1:30 – 4:30 CDT ~ Interactive Satellite Conference*

The Maltreatment and Adolescent Pregnancy and Parenting Program is a research-based and field-tested project designed to increase practitioners' awareness of three issues: 1) the relationship between childhood abuse and adolescent pregnancy, 2) the likelihood of abuse during adolescent pregnancy, and 3) the likelihood of abuse among

children of adolescent parents. The satellite conference expands MAPPP by incorporating a wide variety of cultural perspectives such as African-American, Hawaiian, Hispanic, and Native American.

* There are currently no downlink sites available in Washington, but if you are interested in creating – or checking in later to see if one becomes available visit:

<http://outreach.missouri.edu/hdfs/satconf>

**WSCADV Annual Conference: Beyond Safety: Advocating for Women's Freedom
September 22 – 24 ~ Wenatchee Convention Center**

Register by 8/9 for \$125 memb - \$250 non-memb. For full Information [click here](#).

WA Children's Health Policy Conference ~ September 24 ~ Shoreline

"Maintaining Successes in Times of Economic Diversity." Who should attend? Anyone interested in programs and policies affecting the well-being of children and families in Washington. Registration: \$100 before 8/24, \$125 after. Call Children's Hospital - CME for more information: 206/527-2701.

***Save the Date!* 7TH INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON FAMILY VIOLENCE ~
SEPTEMBER 24-28, 2002 ~ Town & Country Hotel & Convention
Center, San Diego, California**

Working Together to End Abuse: Advocacy, Assessment, Intervention, Research, Prevention, and Policy; Conference Co-hosts: Family Violence & Sexual Assault Institute (FVSAI), San Diego, CA Children's Institute International (CII), Los Angeles, CA

25 Years in a Child's Best Interest ~ October 11 – 13 ~ Yakima Convention Center

Keynote speakers include Adam Cornell, J.D. – Former foster child & Jusicial Clerk; Foster Youth Panel facilitated by Katherine Cahn, MSW. Workshops include: Moms and Kids in Treatment, Kidscreen – what's in it for me? And The Effects of Sexual Abuse on Social-Emotional Development. For more information visit:

[WA State CASA](#)

**Alliance for Children and Families, United to Succeed ~ October 15 – 18 ~
Philadelphia, PA**

More than 50 workshops that reflect a three-track format: Leadership/ Governance, Management, and Best Practice. Keynote Speakers: Naomi Haines Griffith, Ann Compton, Lester Salamon and Marian Wright Edelman. www.alliance1.org

WAEYC Annual Conference ~ October 17 – 19 ~ Yakima

Keynote presentations by John Medina, Constant Hine, and Frank Leto. Call (253) 854-2565 xt 13 to be placed on the mailing list.

**Weaving a Future of Hope for Washington's Children
October 29, 2002 ~ Yakima Convention Center**

The conference goals are to:

- Bring together child advocates statewide to learn about and focus attention on what is at stake for children in the 2003 state legislative session
- Strengthen the networks and connections between advocates for children
- Equip ourselves with information and strategies to advocate for children and families.

Visit www.childrensalliance.org for more information and to register.

United Way King County offers a series of workshops that are available to community members. Workshops focus on nonprofit management, including fundraising. This comprehensive and on-going program is worth a look if you are near King County. For the most current and detailed information on our workshops, please view their web page with training opportunities:

<http://www.uwkc.org/nonprofit/training>. Also, note at the end of that page is a link to an extensive listing of other nonprofit management workshops in the community.

<http://www.uwkc.org/nonprofit/training/othertrng.asp>

Save the Date!

Zero to Three National Training Institute – December 6-8 ~ Washington D.C. For more information visit them on-line at www.zerotothree.org or call 202/624-1760

14th National Conference on Child Abuse and Neglect

Gateways to Prevention ~ March 31 - April 5, 2003 - St. Louis, Missouri

Office on Child Abuse and Neglect, Children's Bureau, Administration on Children, Youth and Families
US Department of Health and Human Services

Save the Date!

International Respite Conference ~ Hosted by ARCH ~ September 2003 ~ Orlando, FL



Sustainability and Resource Opportunities

Creativity and Fund Raising Principles

The inaugural issue of "Strategic Creativity" has an article that posits that fund raising is about far more than asking for money. It is about engaging someone in your cause and giving him or her the opportunity to do good. It is also about organizational credibility. The very process exposes the soul of your organization as you ask others to join you in the journey to do good.

<http://click.topica.com/maaapPCaaSzW5a35gDCb/>

Later this summer, the **National Network of Libraries of Medicine (NN/LM)** will issue a solicitation for new outreach proposals. The solicitation will focus on projects designed to improve access to electronic health information for such groups and organizations as consumers, underserved and minority health care professionals, public health workers, public libraries, and community-based and faith-based organizations.

Two levels of funding will be available. Single institutions that are network members or groups of institutions with at least one network member may submit applications. For a single institution, funding will be available for up to \$10,000, and a group of two or more institutions may receive up to \$40,000. The official announcement will be released on August 1st and proposals will be due by October 1st. For more information or to discuss ideas, contact your Regional Medical Library at 1-800-338-7657.

FUNDS AVAILABLE TO ESTABLISH AND EXPAND CHILDREN'S ADVOCACY CENTERS FOR CHILDREN WHO ARE ABUSED

National Children's Alliance, under a cooperative agreement with the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP), U.S. Department of Justice, will administer \$4,989,000 in federal funds

for the establishment and expansion of children's advocacy centers (CACs) during 2003. CACs provide a comprehensive approach to serving children who are abused through coordination of investigation and intervention services. Grants are available for team and leadership training and for program development and support, including tribal program development. The request for proposals and grant application will be released on June 20, 2002. Competitive applications are due by September 6, 2002, and competitive applicants will be notified by November 20, 2002.

Grant information is available at <http://www.nca-online.org/grants.html>

All current and sample forms related to grants are available at <http://www.nca-online.org/funds1.html>

The Finance Project introduces a new series of products that will focus on strategies for financing children and family services, as well as community building and development. First titles include:

- * Thinking Broadly: Financing Strategies for Comprehensive Child and Family Initiatives
- * Sustaining Comprehensive Community Initiatives: Key Elements for Success
- * Using the Community Reinvestment Act to Help Finance Initiatives for Children, Families and Communities
- * Health Insurance for Small Businesses: State and Local Financing Strategies

To download these publications or for more information, visit

<http://www.financeproject.org/newseries.htm>. You may also contact Martha Roherty, Outreach and Dissemination Coordinator, at mroherty@financeproject.org. For information about ordering print copies, call 202-628-4200.

Priority Topic Areas

Collaboration & Community Building



The National Center for Children in Poverty has recently released two reports highlighting promising roles that community development corporations (CDCs) play in the lives of poor children. The reports also demonstrate the damage that poverty can potentially play in children's intellectual and psychological development. The National Center for Children in Poverty reports are available online at the following links: The Role of Community Development Corporations in Promoting the Well-Being of Young Children (<http://cpmcnet.columbia.edu/dept/nccp/roleCDC.html>) and Early Childhood Poverty: A Statistical Profile (<http://cpmcnet.columbia.edu/dept/nccp/ecp302.html>)

****A Community Approach to the Prevention of Violence by Youth** Boston's successful community response to reducing gun violence among its youth in the early 90s has become almost legendary. This "best practices" brief from Michigan State University outlines how the dedication of a few effective leaders, improved opportunities and services for youth, and shifting roles of police, clergy and community agencies contributed to Boston's success. <http://www.outreach.msu.edu/bpbriefs/issues/brief24.pdf>

Fatherhood

In 2000, there were **2 million single fathers**, up from 393,000 in 1970, according to the U.S. Census. In 2000, there was roughly one single father for every five single mothers, compared with one in nine in 1970. (You can also access lots of other useful census information online.....

<http://www.census.gov/Press-Release/www/2001/cb01-113.html>

Charting Parenthood: A Statistical Portrait of Fathers and Mothers in America

Child Trends has released a first-of-its-kind report on parents - presenting comparable data for mothers and fathers. How involved are fathers in day-to-day parenting activities? How do men feel about parenthood? Do men think single parents are just as effective as two-parent families? Do men wait longer to have children? While most parenting statistics have focused only on mothers, this report looks at what we know about both parents, offering a more complete picture of family life in the United States.

The report details more than 40 indicators in three areas: parenting, family formation and fertility. Topics include: parenting practices, activities with children, child care, parents and schools, custody arrangements and nonresident parents, marriage, divorce and cohabitation, and sexual activity and contraception. Copies of Charting Parenthood: A Statistical Portrait of Fathers and Mothers in America can be purchased from Child Trends' Web site at <http://shop.childtrends.org/onlinecart/index.cfm> (see Fatherhood topic). A PDF version is also available at: <http://www.childtrends.org/PDF/ParenthoodRpt2002.pdf>.

Neglect

DSHS web Page focusing on Child Neglect

The new DSHS web page "Understanding Child Neglect" is now better than ever. It contains resources, fact sheets and child death information.

It's reachable from "What's New" on the DSHS home page, or by a direct link:

<http://www.wa.gov/dshs/geninfo/undnegl.html>



Parent Education

EARLY HEAD START EVALUATION SHOWS POSITIVE SIGNS FOR YOUNG CHILDREN

Results of a seven-year national evaluation of the federal Early Head Start program have recently been released, showing that 3-year-old children completing the program performed better in cognitive and language development than children not participating in the program. The children also developed behavior patterns that prepared them for success in school, such as engaging in tasks, paying attention and showing less aggression. Parents in Early Head Start showed more positive parenting behavior, reported less physical punishment of their children and did more to help their children learn at home through activities such as reading to their children. The effects of the program were sustained and broadened from earlier assessments completed a year ago when the cohort of children was 2 years old.

The study was performed by an independent contractor, Mathematica Policy Research. A copy of the study is available on the Administration for Children and Families' Web site at www.acf.dhhs.gov/news.

Related [Washington Post Article](#)

Special Populations

Disabilities Among Children and Mothers in Low-Income Families

This brief from the Institute for Women's Policy Research finds that mothers on TANF are more likely to be caring for a disabled child than other mothers, or they are more likely to be disabled themselves. These findings underscore the need for careful assessment of disability status and accompanying difficulties among low-income families.

<http://www.iwpr.org/pdf/d449.pdf>

Additional information and resources

New Report Out by the Washington State Institute for Public Policy

[Kinship Care in Washington State: Prevalence, Policy, and Needs](#) (#02-06-3901)

Kinship care is the full-time care of children by relatives, either informally (without the involvement of public child welfare agencies) or formally (when public child welfare agencies are involved in placing children with relatives). An estimated 32,000 children, or one out of 50 children in Washington State, are currently in kinship care. Based on surveys and interviews of relative caregivers and the experiences of other states, this report describes the prevalence, challenges, and needs of kinship caregivers in Washington State and provides policy options to address those needs. [Jim Mayfield, Annie Pennucci, and Courtney Lyon - June 2002]

More on Kinship Care – and links to other related articles ~

Strengthening Family Ties

More than 2 million children across the country are being raised by relatives because their parents can't provide adequate care. Many of these kids are there because of a parent's alcohol or drug problem. Caitlin Johnson explores this issue, and a new training series that may help. (from Connect for Kids)

<http://www.connectforkids.org>

Healthy Child Care Washington has just printed additional copies of "Child Care and the Americans with Disabilities Act." If you would like to request FREE copies, please send your request to the following email address- sheri.johnson@doh.wa.gov- or call 360-236-3584.

Announcements

In June, the Annie E. Casey Foundation released its annual KidsCount Databook, which looks at how our nation's kids and families are doing. The bottom line: We've come a long way -- but we're still at risk of leaving millions of children behind.

www.kidscount.org

* For a printed copy of the 2002 Kids Count Data Book, call Washington Kids Count at 206-685-7613.



Encouragement to Read from Gov. Locke

As you know, education is my highest priority as governor. And it's clear that reading is the key to learning. If our children read well, they build a great foundation for success in school and in life. To keep kids learning during the summer, I've launched the Governor's Summer Reading Challenge. The goal is to inspire our children to read at least 15 hours this summer and keep them advancing academically while school's out.

Young people who meet the challenge and report back to me by August 15 will be eligible, through a drawing, to win more than \$60,000 in prizes, including trips to Disneyland. (Children of the Governor's Office, OFM and DIS staff who complete the challenge will receive a certificate of accomplishment, but, unfortunately, they are not eligible for prizes.) To sign up, please visit my Governor's Summer Reading Challenge website at

<http://www.governor.wa.gov/summerreadingchallenge>

Here's more detail on the prizes:

- ★ Two lucky grand-prize winners and their families will receive free airfare, compliments of Alaska Airlines, plus lodging and admission for four to Disneyland.
- ★ Amazon.com is donating 4,000 gift certificates, each worth \$5, for free books.
- ★ Capital One Financial Services Company is helping the Boys and Girls Clubs of Pierce County implement the Summer Reading Challenge in the five clubs located in Pierce County. The company will provide books to participants through Page Ahead and will partner with Wild Waves and Enchanted Parks to host a free day at the amusement park for 1,200 winning Pierce County Boys and Girls Club members who meet the Governor's Summer Reading Challenge.
- ★ Verizon is supporting the "Power Hour Summer Reading Challenge" in three Snohomish County Boys and Girls Clubs: North Everett, Casino Road and Tulalip. Verizon will provide books for the clubs' libraries and for Challenge participants, as well as incentives such as gift certificates and tickets to an AquaSox baseball game.
- ★ Washington Mutual is providing \$50 savings accounts for 10 lucky winners.

Of course, the biggest prize is the knowledge our kids gain through their excitement about reading. And instead of backsliding through a summer without cracking open a single book, kids will continue advancing their reading skills so they'll be ready to make greater academic progress when they return to school in the fall. Please join me in encouraging our children to become great readers - and take the Governor's Summer Reading Challenge.

Sincerely,
Gary Locke, Governor

